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MAINTENANCE OF RAIL EQUIPMENT

This regulation assigns responsibilities for inspection and maintenance of utility rail equipment (rail equipment and facilities which provide intra-installation transportation service and are connected with commercial railroad interchange tracks) of the Department of the Army and Air Force. It revises and consolidates all AR/AFR in the 750-2200 series. Local limited supplementation of this regulation is permitted but not required. If supplements are issued, Major Army Commands will furnish two copies to the Commander, US Army Materiel Development and Readiness Command, ATTN: AMCMA-V, other Commands will furnish one copy of each to the next higher headquarters.

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Section I. GENERAL

1. Purpose. This regulation implements AR 750-1 and prescribes the procedures for maintenance and support of Department of the Army and Air Force utility rail equipment, including maintenance and inspection of Army owned railroad equipment provided Government Owned Contractor Operated (GOCO) Plants, the Army and Air Force owned rail equipment operated regularly in interchange service on railroads in the Continental United States (CONUS).

2. Scope. These regulations apply to:

a. US Army Materiel Development and Readiness Command, US Air Force Logistics Command, Military Traffic Management Command and Major Army and Air Force Agencies and Installation and Activity Commanders, utilizing, maintaining, inspecting, assigning, supporting and/or holding Army and Air Force utility and interchange rail equipment.

b. Army owned utility rail equipment permanently assigned to intraplant service on GOCO Plants and Installations.

3. Applicability. This regulation applies to the Army National Guard and Army Reserve.

*This regulation supersedes AR 750 2200 1/AFR 66 9, 14 Aug 61; AR 750 2200-2, 5 Aug 60 and AR 750 2200 3, 1 Feb 57; including all changes.

Section II. RESPONSIBILITIES

4. Commanders of Major Army and Air Force Commands, Heads of Army and Air Force Agencies, Installations or Activities will—

a. Assure that maintenance is accomplished on utility rail equipment at installations under their command. Army Commanders overseas are responsible for all echelons of maintenance of Army utility rail equipment, and for direct, general and depot support of Air Force utility rail equipment in areas where the Army has command authority. In areas where the Air Force has command authority, the Air Force Command shall be responsible for all echelons of maintenance except organizational maintenance of Army utility rail equipment.

b. Assure that the condition of rail equipment is in compliance with Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) and Department of Transportation (DOT) safety requirements, with the exception of cars domiciled at installations. The safety requirements for such cars will apply with the following exceptions:

(1) Application of steel wheels are not required.

(2) Removal of running boards and lowering of hand brakes not required.

(3) Removal of "K" type braking system not required; however, single car test of system is required.

c. Assure that interservice support agreements are in effect where one Department of Defense (DOD) component performs maintenance on rail equipment belonging to another DOD component.

d. Assure that Installation and Activity Commanders provide proper care and preservation of utility rail equipment in lay away storage at their respective installations or activity, in accordance with TB 740-97-5 and special instructions provided by the Commodity Command.

e. Commanders of Major Army and Air Force Commands and Heads of Agencies/Installations/Activities will insure that provisions for the execution of their responsibilities are consistent with the provisions of DOD I 4100-33, AR 235-5.

5. The US Army Materiel Development and Readiness Command, using the US Army Troop Support Command (TROSCOM) as an action agency will—

a. Operate the Mobile Rail Repair Shops (MRRS) (AR 700-53/AFR 67-26) to provide direct and general support maintenance to users of utility rail equipment in CONUS.

b. Provide for performance of depot maintenance for Army utility rail equipment in CONUS by Army owned rail repair facility and/or by commercial contract.

c. Provide maintenance (direct, general and depot support) for Air Force utility rail equipment through an interservice support agreement under the provisions of AR 700-53/AFR 67-26. The MRRS will accomplish direct and general support maintenance under the terms of this agreement.

d. Provide through the MRRS, direct and general support maintenance to other DOD components having an interservice support agreement with TROSCOM.

e. Provide a TROSCOM technical representative to perform a pre-maintenance inspection of utility rail equipment at Army installations and other DOD activities covered by interservice support agreement at least annually. The representative will assure that equipment is maintained to standard indicated in applicable technical manuals and in compliance with FRA/DOT regulations. (A report of the inspection will be prepared and forwarded to the appropriate Commander with a copy to the appropriate MRRS).

f. Disburse funds for repair of Army and Air Force passenger and utility freight equipment repaired under the provisions of the Interchange Rules, Association of American Railroads (AAR).

g. Provide direct and general support maintenance by use of the MRRS to other DOD components on a reimbursable basis upon request to TROSCOM.

h. Provide technical assistance service for the Military Traffic Management Command (MTMC), interchange rail fleet on an as required basis.

i. Upon request, provide lay away storage requirements for utility rail equipment authorized for retention at AMC GOCO Activities.

6. US Air Force Logistics Command will—

a. Program Air Force rail maintenance above the organizational level, such as direct/general and depot support.

b. Furnish depot maintenance workload requirements for fiscal year programming upon request from TROSCOM.

c. Provide reimbursement for services performed on Air Force utility rail equipment.

d. Participate in appropriate intraservice support agreements.

e. Provide representation to TROSCOM in performing pre-maintenance inspection of Air Force utility rail equipment.

Section III. GENERAL MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES

7. Performance of Maintenance Shall be in Accordance with—

a. TM 55-202-/TO 45A2-2-1-2, TM 55-203-/TO 45A1-1-101 and other technical manuals related to specific items of equipment. Maintenance reporting and recording for Army and Air Force will be in accordance with TM 38-750.

b. Organizational maintenance on assigned utility rail equipment is the responsibility of the user.

c. Direct and general support maintenance of utility rail equipment is governed by AR 700-53/AFR 67-26.

d. Depot maintenance is governed and programmed by TROSCOM.

e. Technical publications applicable to Air Force organizational maintenance of rail equipment as indexed in Air Force TO 0-145.

8. Maintenance Procedures for Army and Air Force Industrial Funded (AIF) Installations.

Responsibility for performance of maintenance on utility Army and Air Force rail equipment assigned to AIF Installations is the same as provided for non-reimbursable agencies except as stipulated in AR 37-110 and AFLCR 66-9. The MRRS will provide direct and general support maintenance on a reimbursable basis. Annual inspection of assigned rail equipment will be made by TROSCOM representatives regardless of the organization maintaining the equipment. Parts support furnished by MRRS will be on a reimbursable basis in accordance with AR 700-53/AFR 67-26. AIF Agencies not desiring MRRS services must notify TROSCOM accordingly. Expenses incurred in the transportation of rail equipment for and the accomplishment of depot level maintenance sup-

port will be the responsibility of the AIF Agency using the equipment in the accomplishment of its mission.

9. Maintenance Procedures for Government Owned Contractor Operated (GOCO) Plants.

a. It is DOD policy that the maintenance support of rail equipment at GOCO plants be obtained in the manner least costly to the Government (DODD 4100.15 and DODI 4100.33). Prior to the initiation of any operation involving Army owned equipment at GOCO plants or installations, the Government agency concerned will take cognizance of this DOD policy. If the determination is made that the GOCO plant or installation will provide the requisite maintenance support, then the following Department of the Army policies will be observed:

(1) The using installation will perform organizational maintenance on assigned utility rail equipment.

(2) Direct and general support maintenance will be performed by the contractor on assigned utility rail equipment when adequate facilities and qualified personnel are available.

(3) Direct and general support maintenance that may exceed the capabilities of the installation will be performed at either commercial repair shops or by the MRRS on a reimbursable basis.

b. Repair parts support can be furnished by MRRS on a reimbursable basis in accordance with AR 700-53.

c. Annual inspections of assigned rail equipment will be made by TROSCOM representative(s) regardless of the means by which maintenance support is provided and the organization providing the support.

Section IV. MISCELLANEOUS

10. Rolling Stock Operating in Interchange. a. Army and Air Force passenger and freight equipment moving in interchange service over commercial railroads are subject to the standards

established by the AAR and the FRA/DOT. Running repair and maintenance are performed by the handling railroad under provisions of the AAR Rules of Interchange. Bills and supporting

papers are rendered by the railroads to MTMC for payment which is applicable to equipment assigned to the Defense Freight Railway Interchange Fleet. On occasions when utility equipment is repaired by interchange railroads, applicable bills are rendered to TROSCOM for payment.

b. Rail equipment owned by the Army and Air Force, subject to interchange service, is listed in the commercial publications "The Official Railway Equipment Register". Utility rail freight equipment is not listed in the official register.

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